

# THE PRESIDENT'S ORDER

## Negro Soldiers Discharged at Fort Reno, Oklahoma.

The Officers Cannot Believe That They Themselves Will Be Court-Martialled.

Fort Reno, Oklahoma.—The order for the discharge of the 167 negroes comprising Cos. B, C and D, of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who were stationed at Fort Brown at the time of the trouble there, was received here. It reads:

"By order of the President the following named enlisted men, who, on August 13, were members of B, C and D Companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, which took part in the trouble which occurred in Brownsville, Texas, on the night of August 12, 1906, will be discharged without honor from the army by their respective commanding officers and forever debarred from re-enlisting in the army or navy of the United States, as well as from employment in any civil capacity under the Government."

The names include those of several men whose terms of enlistment has expired since the Brownsville affair and have already been given honorable discharges from the service. Eight of these have re-enlisted in other companies and regiments.

All of the officers at this post, including those of the Thirtieth Infantry as well as of the Twenty-fifth, believe that everything possible has been done to detect the men who engaged in the Brownsville rioting, and they will not believe that there will be any court-martial of the officers in command at Fort Brown.

"We have tried to shield no men, but have used every effort to find the guilty ones," said an officer of the dishonored battalion. "As the time for the discharge of the troops has passed, they have redoubled their efforts to find out the guilty men. They have kept the men under the closest espionage. They have noted what men seemed to chum together, their actions and anything else that might lead to the detection of the guilty men."

Many of the men now to be dishonorably discharged are veterans who have served in Cuba and in the Philippines. At El Caney the regiment was at the front and two of the companies were in the very hottest of the conflict. Their conduct excited praise. As they marched back from the bloody slope after victory had been won they were greeted with cheers by the Second Massachusetts Volunteers. During the service of this regiment the desertions and absences without leave were comparatively few. Of the men to be mustered out fully seventy per cent. have won medals and decorations for meritorious service in Cuba and the Philippines.

## ROOSEVELT ARRIVES AT COLON.

### Warships Make Panama Port Ahead of Schedule Time.

Colon, Panama.—The first trip of an American President outside of the boundaries of the United States was successfully ended when the battleship Louisiana, having on board President Roosevelt and his party, dropped anchor in the harbor of Colon. The Louisiana, which arrived ahead of schedule time, was conveyed by the Tennessee and the Washington. The three vessels anchored about a mile from the landing in a heavy rainfall.

Owing to the fact that the Louisiana arrived ahead of time, neither President Amador of Panama nor Chairman Shonts of the Isthmian Canal Commission was on hand to welcome President Roosevelt.

In the afternoon President Roosevelt received the local newspaper correspondents on board the Louisiana. He said that his voyage had been pleasant and uneventful, and expressed himself as gratified at the welcome. He said he proposed to look into the Jamaica labor question, and also intended to see everything possible concerning the canal.

## RETURNS TO PRISON FOR LIFE.

### Clergyman's Indiscretions Restore His Murder Sentence.

Indianapolis, Ind.—W. E. Hinchshaw, a former clergyman, convicted in 1895 for wife murder, and sentenced to prison for life, but paroled in 1905, was before Governor Hanly, charged with wrecking the home of Sheriff-Elect George Freeman, of Wash County. After hearing the evidence the Governor ordered Hinchshaw returned to Michigan City prison for life.

Hinchshaw admitted correspondence with Mrs. Freeman since paroled, meeting her by appointment and going with her at night to a hotel at Shirley.

## BOERS INVADE CAPE COLONY.

### Parties of Frebooters Enter British Territory—Police Meet Ferreira.

Cape Town, South Africa.—According to information received here the colony has been invaded by two parties of Boer frebooters, in addition to the men operating under Ferreira.

The police have had an ineffectual encounter with Ferreira near Upington.

### Edward Honored Haakon.

King Edward invested King Haakon, now in London, with the Order of the Garter. The ceremony of investiture was the most brilliant pageant of King Edward's reign.

## Ohio Faces Coal Famine.

Ohio is in the grip of a coal famine. The shortage of coal and the demands of the Northwest are given as the reasons. The famine is felt especially in the manufacturing cities.

## DAUGHTERS SELECT NORFOLK.

### Meeting Place for 1908—Newly Elected Officers.

Gulfport, Miss., Special.—The following is the full list of officers elected by the United Daughters of the Confederacy after the convention had decided to meet next at Norfolk, Dec. 2, 1908:

President—Mrs. Lizzie Henderson of Mississippi.

First Vice President—Mrs. Alfred H. Vorhees of California.

Second Vice President—Mrs. D. A. S. Vaught of Louisiana.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. A. L. Boldwell of Alabama.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. A. E. Riply of Missouri.

Treasurer—Mrs. L. R. Williams of Kentucky.

Custodian of Cross of Honor—Mrs. L. H. Raines of Georgia.

### Roosevelt Sails for Puerto Rico.

Colon, Special.—President Roosevelt and his party sailed Saturday night for Ponce, Puerto Rico, on board the Battleship Louisiana.

At 8:30 o'clock President Roosevelt reached pier No. 11, where there was an enthusiastic gathering of at least 800 persons, principally canal employees at Cristobal and other points along the line. Here the president ascended the bandstand and made a 30 minute speech.

In giving his impressions of the work on the canal, he said he was pleased with what already had been done and paid his respects to those who had adversely criticized the work.

"How about Poulitney Bigelow?" came from among the auditors.

With much deliberation the president remarked that in every large work there was always some one to find something that was not done as it should have been; but the employees should on no account pay attention to such criticisms as the critics would sink out of sight while the work the men were doing and had done would remain long after all criticism had been forgotten. President Roosevelt said also he was so impressed with the magnitude and greatness of this work that he would like to see one of his sons engaged therein. He congratulated all the heads of departments on the work being done and with especial warmth he congratulated Capt. George R. Shanton on his success in maintaining order in the canal zone and in perfecting the splendid police force under his control. In conclusion the president said he would like to remain longer on the isthmus, but that it was necessary for him to get back to his work in the United States.

### Epidemic of Crime Has Run Its Course.

Pittsburg, Special.—The epidemic of crime that has swept over this city and vicinity since November 2 has apparently run its course and on Saturday only a few small burglaries were reported to the authorities. During the 16 days, three murders were caused by thugs bent on robbery; carbolic acid was thrown in one woman's face, disfiguring her for life; half a hundred men were badly beaten; a hundred or more men and women held up on the streets at the point of a revolver and robbed; houses in all sections of the city were broken into and thousands of dollars worth of plunder stolen; scores of suspicious persons have been arrested and sent to the workhouse; two hundred additional policemen were added to the police force and rewards aggregating \$7,000 were offered for the arrest of the murderers of James A. McMillen and Henry F. Smith. Detectives came here from other cities and endeavored to capture the marauders and notwithstanding the combined efforts of the authorities failed to arrest any person directly implicated in the outrages.

### U. S. Worth \$105,881,415,000.

Washington, Special.—The United States Census Bureau on Saturday estimated the total wealth of the country in 1904 to be \$105,881,415,000. This shows an increase in wealth over the estimates for 1900 of nearly 21 per cent and of 64 per cent over the estimate for 1890, when the total wealth was \$65,037,091,197.

In 1904 the value of the real property taxed was \$55,607,719,435; real property not taxed, \$6,596,527,174; live stock, \$4,073,791,736; railroads and their equipment, \$11,244,752,000; materials and products of manufacture, \$7,409,286,000; furniture, carriages, etc., \$5,700,000,000; manufacturing machinery etc., \$3,297,754,180; gold and silver coin and bullion, \$2,002,530,272; clothing, \$2,500,000,000.

Converted into one-dollar bills placed end to end, the string would be long enough to stretch from the earth to the moon and back 30 times.

### KILLED BY A KICK.

#### Sixteen Year Old Boy Dies From a Football Injury.

LaFayette, Ind., Special.—Lyde Nichols, 16 years old, son of Hugh Nichol, athletic director of Purdue University, died Saturday of an injury received in a football game last Wednesday. Young Nichol was kicked in the abdomen.

## PROPOSED ACTS ON INSURANCE

Insurance Commission, in Session at Chicago, Completes Draft of Sixteen Projected Laws Which Legislature of 37 States Will Pass Upon—Proposed Measures, it is Claimed, Will Correct Insurance Anomalies All Over the Country—Will Ask the President to Mention Them in His Message—A Summary of the Acts.

Chicago, Special.—Members of the insurance commission who have been in session for the last week, drafting projected laws for the control of life insurance throughout the country, completed their work Saturday and adjourned.

Sixteen new laws have been drawn up, and it is believed by the commissioners that they will, if adopted by the various States, correct the greater part of the abuses in the management of life insurance companies. These laws will be introduced next winter into Legislatures of 37 different States. T. E. Drake, the insurance commissioner for the District of Columbia, will submit the proposed measures to President Roosevelt in order that they may be mentioned in the forthcoming message of the president to Congress. The proposed new acts may be summarized as follows:

**Summary of the Laws.**  
A standard policy act which provides six forms of uniform policies for use by all life insurance companies.

An annual apportionment act which requires life insurance companies either to pay annual dividends or credit of the amount earned, to the different policy holders. This act limits the amount of surplus which the companies are permitted to retain in their treasuries.

An act prohibiting discrimination and rebating between agents and policy holders.

An act prohibiting corporations from acting as agents of life insurance companies.

An act regulating the election of directors of mutual life insurance companies.

An act prohibiting the publishing of estimates and illustrations which misrepresent the terms of any policy, or the benefits or advantages promised thereby.

An act prohibiting life insurance companies from making any kind of a political contribution.

An act forbidding insurance companies from extending more than \$5,000 for any specified purpose without the consent of the board of directors.

An act prohibiting life insurance companies from paying any officer a salary in excess of \$50,000 annually.

An act regulating the investment of life insurance company funds.

An act making the policy the entire contract between the interested parties.

An act defining the status of the persons who solicit life insurance.

An act prohibiting life insurance companies from issuing participating and non-participating policies.

An act regulating companies run on the life assessment plan.

An act regulating the retirement of capital stock of life insurance companies.

### HEARST'S EXPENSES.

#### Quarter of a Million Spent on the New York Election.

Albany, N. Y., Special.—William Randolph Hearst, Independence League and Democratic candidate for governor certified to the Secretary of State that he had spent \$256,370 in promoting his canvass. This was divided as follows:  
Traveling League \$189,870.  
Traveling expenses \$500.  
Democratic state committee \$50,000.

### Wanted Death Sentence.

Preston, Minn., Special.—Celestian St. Antoine, an octogenarian, on Saturday pleaded guilty to wife murder and was sentenced to imprisonment. St. Antoine was much grieved because he was not sentenced to death. He complained bitterly to the judge, saying, "I am guilty and ready to take what I deserve."

### Term "Fruit" Includes Perishable Vegetables.

Washington, Special.—The interstate commerce commission Saturday announced that the term "fruit" in connection with the free transportation that may be furnished to necessary care-takers of such merchandise, includes perishable vegetables when shipped under conditions that render care-takers "necessary." The commission holds that transportation of such "necessary care-takers" includes their return to point from which they actually accompany such shipment.

### To Prevent Steam Engines Entering Washington.

Washington, Special.—Steam engines will be prohibited entrance to the District of Columbia on the completion of the new union station in Washington. The commissioners of the District of Columbia took final action in drawing trains into the new union station. This applies to all railroads entering the city, and is made in the interest of the antismoke crusade which has waged for years.

## THE NEXT MAKE-UP OF THE HOUSE

### This Unofficial Statement Contains Interesting Facts

#### MAJORITY OF REPUBLICANS 54

Congressional Statistics Figure Out the Returns and Give Out an Unofficial Statement Final Figures Give the Political Complexions of the Next House Nine New Members Elected—A List of Those Who Failed of Re-Election—Some Interesting Facts About That Branch of the 60th Congress.

A special to the Charlotte Observer from Washington says:

Congressional statisticians who have been here the past few days figuring on the status of the House of Representatives in the 60th Congress, have reached the conclusion that the Republican House majority will be fifty-four. This is as near final as the estimate can be made until the clerk of the House has received certificates of election, and will stand as correct, probably, until all contested election cases have been finally decided.

This unofficial statement contains some very interesting facts about the new House. Of the members elected to the Sixtieth Congress, 283 were re-elected, making 101 new members, of whom 61 are Democrats and 49 Republicans. Of the new members 15 have served in Congress prior to the Fifty-ninth, while 85 are entirely new to the congressional experience.

Unofficial returns show that the Republicans have elected 219 and the Democrats 165, a Republican majority of fifty-two. There are two vacancies yet to be filled, one having been caused by the death of Gen. Eetcham, of New York, and the other by the death of Rockwood Hoar, of Massachusetts. It is expected both these districts will elect Republicans, giving the majority of fifty-four figured on.

**Figuring by States.**  
The final figures give the political complexion of the next House, by States as follows:

	Dems.	Reps.
Alabama	9	0
Arkansas	7	0
California	0	8
Colorado	0	3
Delaware	0	1
Florida	3	0
Georgia	11	0
Idaho	0	1
Illinois	6	19
Indiana	4	9
Iowa	1	10
Kansas	0	8
Kentucky	7	4
Louisiana	7	0
Maine	0	4
Maryland	3	3
Massachusetts	3	11
Minnesota	1	8
Mississippi	8	0
Missouri	12	4
Montana	0	1
Nebraska	1	5
Nevada	1	0
New Hampshire	0	2
New Jersey	4	6
New York	12	25
North Carolina	10	0
North Dakota	0	2
Ohio	5	16
Oregon	0	2
Pennsylvania	7	25
Rhode Island	1	1
South Carolina	7	0
South Dakota	0	2
Tennessee	0	2
Texas	16	0
Utah	0	1
Vermont	0	1
Virginia	9	1
Washington	0	3
West Virginia	0	5
Wisconsin	2	9
Wyoming	0	1
Total	165	221

The total of this tabulation admits that the Republicans will carry the normally Republican districts represented by the late Messrs. Ketcham and Hoar.

Nine new members of the House will take their seats next month when the Fifty-ninth Congress convenes for its final session, having been elected to fill vacancies caused by death. These vacancies were filled as follows:

California—First district, W. F. Eglebright, Republican, elected in place of J. N. Gillett, Republican, elected Governor of the State.

Georgia—First district, J. W. Overstreet, elected in place of Rufus E. Lester, deceased.

Illinois—Thirteenth district, Frank O. Lowden, elected in place of Robert R. Hitt, deceased.

Indiana—Twelfth district, C. C. Gilliams, elected in place of N. W. Gilbert, resigned.

Pennsylvania—Second district, John E. Reyburn, elected in place of Robert Adams, deceased; third district, J. Hampton Moore, elected in place of George A. Castor, deceased.

New York—Eighth district, Daniel J. Riordan, elected in place of Timothy D. Sullivan, resigned.

Virginia—Fifth district, E. N. Saunders, elected in place of Claude A. Swanson, resigned to take the office of Governor of the State.

Wisconsin—J. M. Nelson in place of H. C. Adams, deceased.

The following men have been elected to the Sixtieth Congress who are not members of the Fifty-ninth, but who have held seats in some former Congress: B. F. Caldwell and M. B. Foster, Democrats, of Illinois; W. H.

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Jackson, Republican, of Maryland; C. W. Hamlin and Robert Lamar, Democrats, of Missouri; G. M. Hitchcock, Democrat, of Nebraska; William Hughes, Democrat, of New Jersey; Francis B. Harrison and Daniel J. Riordan, Democrats, of New York; W. P. Crawford, Democrat, of North Dakota; I. R. Sherwood, Democrat, of Ohio; W. R. Ellis, Republican, of Oregon; John E. Reyburn and C. N. Brumm, Republicans, of Pennsylvania; Sam E. Cooper, Democrat, of Texas; Frank R. Lassiter, Democrat, of Virginia.

Following is a complete list of chairmen of committees in the present House who were not elected to the Sixtieth Congress: James W. Wadsworth, Agriculture; James H. Southard, Coinage, Weights, and Measures; Joseph W. Babcock, District of Columbia; Frank C. Wächter, Enrolled Bills; Edward S. Minor, Expenditures in the Interior Department; James T. Cleary, Library; Joseph C. Sibley, Manufactures; Charles H. Grosvenor, Merchant, Marine and Fisheries; Edward D. V. Morrell, Militia; Mines and Mining, Webster E. Brown; Public Lands, John F. Lacy; Ventilation and Acoustics, Rosewell P. Bishop; War Claims, Thaddeus M. Mason.

The contest for these chairmanships will begin as soon as Congress convenes, although official announcements will not be made for a year.

**Inspection of Cattle.**  
Montpelier, Vt., Special.—Vermont Cattle Commission, which recently resigned with the investigation into the sale of diseased cattle for alleged food purposes, cost the State \$82,732, according to its biennial report just published. The report states that a largely increased number of farmers has asked for inspection, trebling the work of the commission.

**Burned to Death.**  
Dallas, Tex., Special.—The Mabank Hotel, at Mabank, Texas, was destroyed by fire and Abraham Mithall, of Dallas, a traveling salesman, was burned to death.

**Mother Shoots Child in Play.**  
New Orleans, Special.—A shot from her mother's revolver on Monday ended the life of 5-year-old Kerema All. The shooting was accidental, mother and daughter being engaged in a playful game when the revolver went off. The child found the revolver which the mother says she supposed to be empty and said "I will shoot you, mama."

The mother handling the weapon and pointing it at the child, saying, "Now I'll shoot you."

**Sec. Taft Returns to Washington.**  
Washington, Special.—Secretary Taft, who has been on a trip of inspection since November 1 to some of the Western army posts with the view to the establishment of brigade posts, returned to Washington Saturday.

**Russian General Shot.**  
Poltava, Russia, Special.—General Polkownikoff, commander of the garrison here, was shot dead Sunday night.

**THE PROPER CARE OF CLOTHES.**  
The question of space is one that requires considerable thought. Of course, when there is plenty of space and plenty of money, there can be wardrobes galore with hooks, shelves and drawers whose each article can have a place for itself. Where both economy of space and money have to be exercised the problem is more difficult. Clever devices have come into use by which the capacity of hanging-closets can be doubled.

If the depth of the wardrobe be great enough to allow of them, two curtain poles in sockets are fastened at a height which will allow a long skirt to clear the ground. On these poles are put the wire frames used to hang coats on, and it is surprising how many skirts can be disposed of, arranged side by side, but sufficiently far apart to give each skirt plenty of room.

Above these two curtain poles, are two others a yard higher up, for the waists, over which are also put the wire or wooden frames. But these are differently arranged, for it would be impossible to reach so high. All along the poles at regular intervals, are put eyes, through which runs a cord that is also fastened to the knob on the frame, and then, in pulley fashion, the frames can be lowered or hoisted as desired. Keeping shirts and waists thus spread out is a great help towards always having them fresh. A padding of some soft material can be put over the frames and a small sachet put therein to give a faint perfume, only it must be very faint. Tissue-paper inserted in the sleeves will keep them in shape, and if there is danger of dust, a covering of cheese-cloth can be put over the waists.—Harper's Bazar.

**Three Killed in Okolona.**  
New Orleans, Special.—Three persons were killed near Okolona and a number of houses blown down and others unroofed.

At Macon, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wofford were caught in the debris of their home and are believed to be fatally injured.

At Winaha, 40 persons are said to be injured, but none seriously.

At Mathison, all of the southern part of the town was blown away, including the Baptist church and the public school building.

A negro woman was killed and several other persons were injured.

At Lexington the building occupied by the Lexington Advertiser caught fire and was completely destroyed.

**Serious Damage in Northern Louisiana.**  
Shreveport, La., Special.—A heavy wind, rain and electric storm swept over northern Louisiana Saturday night and in some places caused serious damage. The storm lasted several hours, flooding streets and causing washouts. At Arcadia the electric storm was severe, several residences being struck by lightning. The elec-